

# LEGAL DECISION MAKING (CUSTODY), PARENTING TIME and CHILD SUPPORT

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## THE COURT ORDER FOR PETITIONER OR RESPONDENT

(Part 4: Forms Only)

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**LEGAL DECISION MAKING (Custody),  
PARENTING TIME, and CHILD SUPPORT**

**PART 4: THE COURT ORDER**

**(For Petitioner or Respondent)**

CHECKLIST

***You may use the forms and instructions in this packet if . . .***

- ✓ You or the other party filed a petition to establish who has custody (now called “legal decision making” in Arizona), parenting time, and child support, **AND**
- ✓ You have attended the Parent Information Program (PIP) and have filed your certificate of attendance with the Clerk of the Court, **AND**
- ✓ You are going to a default hearing, or you both agree on the settlement terms of the court case, or you are going to a trial on what you disagree about, **AND**
- ✓ You are ready to complete the court papers about the final order.

**READ ME:** Consulting a lawyer before filing documents with the court may help prevent unexpected results. A list of lawyers you may hire to advise you on handling your own case or to perform specific tasks, as well as a list of court-approved mediators can be found on the Self-Service Center website.

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## ESTABLISH LEGAL DECISION MAKING (Custody), PARENTING TIME, and CHILD SUPPORT

(when paternity has already been established)

### PART 4 -- THE COURT ORDER

(PETITIONER OR RESPONDENT - FORMS ONLY)

This packet contains court forms and instructions to file an order to establish legal decision making, parenting time, and child support. Items in **BOLD** are forms that you will need to file with the Court. Non-bold items are instructions or procedures. Do not copy or file those pages!

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## SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA IN MARICOPA COUNTY

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Petitioner

Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**ORDER FOR** (Check one box only)

☐ **LEGAL DECISION MAKING (CUSTODY),  
PARENTING TIME, and CHILD SUPPORT, or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Respondent

☐ **LEGAL DECISION MAKING (CUSTODY) AND  
PARENTING TIME (ONLY)**

### THE COURT FINDS:

1. This case has come before this court for a final order, and if necessary the court has taken all testimony needed to enter a final Order.
2. This court has jurisdiction over the parties under the law.
3. Where it has the legal power to do so and where it is applicable to the facts of this case, this court has considered, approved, and made an Order relating to Legal Decision Making (Custody), Child Support, Parenting Time and expenses related to the births of the minor child(ren).
4. **SERVICE BY PUBLICATION:**  
If Respondent was served by publication and was not personally served, this court cannot make a legal order, with respect to issues of child support, medical, dental and vision care insurance and expenses, and expenses for the minor child(ren).

The court reserves jurisdiction until personal service is made upon Respondent to consider the child support, and any other relief requested in the Petition or orders deemed necessary by the court.

5. **This order applies to the following child(ren):**

**NAME(s)**

**DATE(s) OF BIRTH(s)**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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**6. PARENT INFORMATION PROGRAM.**

A. **Mother** ☐ **has attended** the Parent Information Program as evidenced by the Certificate of Completion in the Court file, **OR**

**Mother** ☐ **has not attended** the Parent Information Program and ☐ shall be denied any requested relief to enforce or modify this Order until Mother has completed the class.

B. **Father** ☐ **has attended** the Parent Information Program as evidenced by the Certificate of Completion in the Court file, **OR**

**Father** ☐ **has not attended** the Parent Information Program and ☐ shall be denied any requested relief to enforce or modify this Order until Father has completed the class.

**7. DEVIATION FROM CHILD SUPPORT.** The Court, having considered the best interests of the child(ren), deviates from the guidelines for the following reasons:

- ☐ Application of the guidelines is inappropriate.
- ☐ Application of the guidelines is unjust.
- ☐ The parties have signed a written agreement with knowledge of the amount of support that would have been ordered by the guidelines but for the agreement.

**THE COURT MAKES THE FOLLOWING FINDING REGARDING THE DEVIATION:**

- ☐ The child support order *would have been*: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ The child support order after deviation is: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ All parties have signed the agreement free of duress and coercion.

**8. PHYSICAL CUSTODY ADJUSTMENT, COURT APPROVED DISCRETIONARY PARENTING TIME ADJUSTMENT AND/OR OTHER ADJUSTMENTS. (THE COURT MUST MAKE WRITTEN FINDINGS IF ANY OF THESE ADJUSTMENTS ARE MADE.)**

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**9. SUPERVISED OR NO PARENTING TIME.** (Check, if applicable, and explain.)

☐ Supervised parenting time or No parenting time between minor child(ren) and

☐ Mother OR ☐ Father is in the best interests of the minor child(ren) for the following reasons:

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**10. DRUG CONVICTION WITHIN LAST TWELVE MONTHS:**

- ☐ If either party has been convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, or was convicted of any drug offense within 12 months of filing the request for legal decision making (custody), the legal decision making (custody), and or parenting time arrangement ordered by this court appropriately protects the minor child(ren).

If joint legal decision making (joint custody) is ordered below, check box "A" or "B". If "B", explain.

**11. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.** If the court enters an order for joint authority for legal decision making concerning the child(ren):

- A. ☐ There have been no significant acts of Domestic Violence under A.R.S. 13-3601 by either parent, OR
- B. ☐ Domestic violence has occurred, but the domestic violence has not been "significant". Explain why joint custody is in the best interest of the minor child(ren) even though domestic violence has occurred:

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**THE COURT ORDERS:**

**1. PRIMARY RESIDENCE, PARENTING TIME, and LEGAL DECISION MAKING (Custody)**

**A. PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL PARENT:**

- ☐ Mother's home as primary residence for following named child(ren):

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- ☐ Father's home as primary residence for following named child(ren):

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**B. SUBJECT TO PARENTING TIME AS FOLLOWS:**

- ☐ Reasonable parenting time rights to the non-primary residential parent as described in the Parenting Plan attached as Exhibit B and made a part of this decree, OR

- ☐ NO PARENTING TIME RIGHTS to ☐ Mother OR ☐ Father, OR

- ☐ SUPERVISED PARENTING TIME to ☐ Mother OR ☐ Father according to the terms of the Parenting Plan attached as Exhibit B and made part of this Decree.

Parenting time may only take place in the presence of another person, named below or otherwise approved by the court.

(IF supervised) Name of person to supervise (Optional):

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The cost of supervised parenting time shall be paid by the:

- ☐ the Mother, ☐ the Father, OR ☐ Shared equally by the parties

**THE COURT FURTHER ORDERS:****Restrictions on parenting time** (if applicable):

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**C. LEGAL DECISION-MAKING (LEGAL CUSTODY):**

1. ☐ **SOLE AUTHORITY FOR LEGAL DECISION MAKING (SOLE CUSTODY)** over the minor children is awarded to: ☐ **Mother** ☐ **Father**,

**OR**

2. ☐ **JOINT AUTHORITY FOR LEGAL DECISION MAKING (JOINT CUSTODY)** is awarded to **Mother and Father** who agree to act as joint legal decision makers regarding the minor child(ren), as set forth in the Joint Legal Decision-Making (Custody) Agreement and Parenting Plan signed by both parties and attached to this Decree as **"Exhibit B."** There having been no significant acts of Domestic Violence by either parent, or the court having found it in the best interests of the minor child(ren), the court adopts the terms of the Joint Legal Decision-Making (Custody) Agreement and Parenting Plan, which is attached to and made part of this Decree.

**2. CHILD SUPPORT:**

☐ **Mother** or ☐ **Father** shall pay child support to the other party in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month, beginning THE FIRST DAY OF THE MONTH following the signing of this Order, according to the Child Support Worksheet attached to and made part of this order. All child support payments shall be made through the **Support Payment Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 52107, Phoenix, Arizona 85072-2107**, and shall include an additional applicable statutory fee. Payments shall be in equal installments made on the **1st** and **15th** of each month thereafter through an automatic income withholding order.

**3. MEDICAL, DENTAL, VISION CARE FOR MINOR CHILDREN:**

- ☐ **Mother is responsible for providing:** ☐ **medical** ☐ **dental** ☐ **vision care insurance.**  
☐ **Father is responsible for providing:** ☐ **medical** ☐ **dental** ☐ **vision care insurance.**

Medical, dental, and vision care insurance, payments and expenses are based on the information in the Parent's Worksheet for Child Support attached to and made part of this order. The party ordered to pay must keep the other party informed of the insurance company name, address and telephone number, and must give the other party the documents necessary to submit insurance claims.

**Non-Covered Expenses. Mother is ordered to pay** \_\_\_\_\_ **%**, **AND Father is ordered to pay** \_\_\_\_\_ **%** of all reasonable uncovered and/or uninsured medical, dental, vision care, prescription and other health care charges for the minor children, including co-payments.

4. **FINANCIAL INFORMATION EXCHANGES:** The parties shall exchange financial information (tax returns, spousal affidavits, earning statements and/or other related financial statements) every twenty-four months.

5. **LIMITATION ON JURISDICTION:** (check box if applicable)

☐ This court cannot make a legal order, without personal service on the respondent with respect to issues of child support, health insurance for the minor child(ren) or regarding costs relating to birth of the child(ren). The court reserves the right to enter such orders at such time as the court acquires personal jurisdiction over the Respondent.

6. **OTHER ORDERS:** This court makes further Orders relating to this matter as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**FINAL APPEALABLE ORDER.** Pursuant to Arizona Rules of Family Law Procedure, Rule 81, this final judgment/decreed is settled, approved, and signed by the court and shall be entered by the clerk.

DONE IN OPEN COURT: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**JUDGE OR COMMISSIONER**

If you are the Petitioner and you have a Default Hearing, and the Respondent was *personally* served with the court papers, meaning that service was not done by "publication", you must mail or give a copy of this Court Order to the Respondent after the Judge has signed it. You must tell the Court you will do this.

By signing below, Petitioner declares that a copy of the Decree will be mailed to Respondent, at the following address:

Respondent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Petitioner's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



Person Filing: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address (if not protected): \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA IN MARICOPA COUNTY

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Petitioner

Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENTING PLAN FOR:

AND

☐ JOINT LEGAL DECISION MAKING  
(CUSTODY) WITH JOINT LEGAL  
DECISION MAKING (CUSTODY)  
AGREEMENT

**or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Respondent

☐ SOLE LEGAL DECISION-MAKING  
(CUSTODY)

☐ to Mother

☐ to Father

## INSTRUCTIONS

**This document has 4 parts:** PART 1) General Information; PART 2) Legal Decision Making (Custody) and Parenting Time; PART 3) Danger to Children Notification Statement; and PART 4) Joint Legal Decision Making (Custody) Agreement. Where this form refers to "children" it refers to any and all minor children common to the parties whether one or more.

**One or both parents must complete and sign the Plan as follows:**

- a. If only *one* parent is submitting the Plan: that parent must sign at the end of PART 2 and 3.
- b. If both parents agree to legal decision making (custody) and parenting time arrangements *but not to joint legal decision making (custody)*: Both parents must sign the Plan at the end of PART 2 and 3.
- c. If both parents agree to joint legal decision making (custody) and parenting time arrangements as presented in the Plan: Both parents must sign the Plan at the end of PART 2, 3, and 4.

**PART 1: GENERAL INFORMATION:**

- A. MINOR CHILDREN.** This Plan concerns the following minor children:  
(Use additional paper if necessary)

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**B. THE FOLLOWING LEGAL DECISION-MAKING (CUSTODY) ARRANGEMENT IS REQUESTED:**

(Choose ONE of 1, 2, 3, 4.) (If you chose "sole legal decision-making authority" [1 or 2], you have the option of also requesting restrictions on the parenting time of the other party.

- ☐ **1. SOLE LEGAL DECISION-MAKING (CUSTODY) BY AGREEMENT.** The parents agree that sole legal decision-making authority (custody) and primary physical custody should be granted to the ☐ Mother ☐ Father.

The parents agree that since each has a unique contribution to offer to the growth and development of their minor children, each of them will continue to have a full and active role in providing a sound moral, social, economic, and educational environment for the benefit of the minor children, as described in the following pages,

**OR**

- ☐ **2. SOLE LEGAL DECISION-MAKING (CUSTODY) REQUESTED BY THE PARENT SUBMITTING THIS PLAN.** The parents cannot agree to the terms of legal decision making (custody) and parenting time. The parent submitting this Plan asks the court to order sole legal decision-making authority and parenting time according to this Plan.

(Optional, if you marked 1 or 2 above)

- ☐ **RESTRICTED, SUPERVISED, OR NO PARENTING TIME.**

The parent submitting this Plan asks the court for an order restricting parenting time. The facts and information related to this request are described in the Petition.

**OR**

- ☐ **3. JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING (CUSTODY) BY AGREEMENT.** The parents agree to joint legal decision-making (custody) and request the court to approve the joint legal decision-making (custody) arrangement as described in this Plan. Primary physical custody will be with the ☐ Mother ☐ Father,

**OR**

- ☐ **4. JOINT LEGAL DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY (CUSTODY) REQUESTED BY THE PARENT SUBMITTING THIS PLAN.** The parents cannot agree to the terms of legal decision making and parenting time **or** are unable to submit this plan together at this time. My request for joint legal decision-making authority is deferred for the court's determination.

**PART 2: PHYSICAL CUSTODY AND PARENTING TIME.** Complete each section below. Be specific about what you want the judge to approve in the court order.

**A. (School Year) WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND TIME-SHARING SCHEDULE:**

- ☐ The minor children will be in the care of Father as follows: (Explain).

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- ☐ The minor children will be in the care of Mother as follows: (Explain).

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- ☐ Other physical custody arrangements are as follows: (Explain).

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- ☐ Transportation will be provided as follows:

☐ **Mother** or ☐ **Father** will pick the minor children up at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock.

☐ **Mother** or ☐ **Father** will drop the minor children off at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock.

Parents may change their time-share arrangements by mutual agreement with at least \_\_\_\_ days notice in advance to the other parent.

**B. SUMMER MONTHS OR SCHOOL BREAK LONGER THAN 4 DAYS:** The weekday and weekend schedule described above will apply for all 12 calendar months **EXCEPT:**

- ☐ During summer months or school breaks that last longer than 4 days, no changes shall be made. **OR,**

- ☐ During summer months or school breaks that last longer than 4 days, the minor children will be in the care of Father: (Explain)

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- ☐ During summer months or school breaks that last longer than 4 days, the minor children will be in the care of Mother: (Explain)

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- ☐ Each parent is entitled to a \_\_\_\_\_ week period of vacation time with the minor children. The parents will work out the details of the vacation at least \_\_\_\_\_ days in advance.

**C. TRAVEL**

- ☐ Should either parent travel out of the area with the minor children, each parent will keep the other parent informed of travel plans, address(es), and telephone number(s) at which that parent and the minor children can be reached.
- ☐ Neither parent shall travel with the minor children outside Arizona for longer than \_\_\_\_ days without the prior written consent of the other parent or order of the court.

**D. HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:** The holiday schedule takes priority over the regular time-sharing schedule as described above. Check the box(es) that apply and indicate the years of the holiday access/Parenting time schedule.

Holiday		Even Years				Odd Years			
<input type="checkbox"/>	New Year's Eve	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	New Year's Day	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	Spring Vacation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	Easter	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	4th of July	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	Halloween	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	Veteran's Day	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thanksgiving	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hanukkah	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	Christmas Eve	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	Christmas Day	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	Winter Break	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	Child's Birthday	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mother	<input type="checkbox"/>	Father
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Mother's Day</b> will be celebrated with the Mother every year.								
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Father's Day</b> will be celebrated with the Father every year.								
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Each parent may have the children on his or her birthday.</b>								
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Three-day weekends</b> which include Martin Luther King Day, Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, the children will remain in the care of the parent who has the minor children for the weekend.								
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Other Holidays</b> (Describe the other holidays and the arrangement) :								

- ☐ **Telephone Contact:** Each parent may have telephone contact with the minor children during the children's normal waking hours, **OR:** (Explain) \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ **Other** (Explain) : \_\_\_\_\_

**E. PARENTAL ACCESS TO RECORDS AND INFORMATION:** Under Arizona law (A.R.S. §25-403.06), unless otherwise provided by court order or law, on reasonable request, both parents are entitled to have equal access to documents and other information concerning the minor children's education and physical, mental, moral and emotional health including medical, school, police, court and other records. A person who does not comply with a reasonable request for these records shall reimburse the requesting parent for court costs and attorney fees incurred by that parent to make the other parent obey this request. A parent who attempts to restrict the release of documents or information by the custodian of the records without a prior court order is subject to legal sanctions.

**F. EDUCATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS:**

- ☐ Both parents have the right to participate in school conferences, events and activities, and the right to consult with teachers and other school personnel.
- ☐ Both parents will make major educational decisions together. (optional) ☐ If the parents do not reach agreement, then:

**OR**

- ☐ Major educational decisions will be made by ☐ Mother ☐ Father after consulting other parent.

**G. MEDICAL AND DENTAL ARRANGEMENTS:**

- ☐ Both parents have the right to authorize emergency medical treatment, if needed, and the right to consult with physicians and other medical practitioners. Both parents agree to advise the other parent immediately of any emergency medical/dental care sought for the minor children, to cooperate on health matters concerning the children and to keep one another reasonably informed. Both parents agree to keep each other informed as to names, addresses and telephone numbers of all medical/dental care providers.
- ☐ Both parents will make major medical decisions together, except for emergency situations as noted above. (optional) ☐ If the parents do not reach an agreement, then: \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

- ☐ Major medical/dental decisions will be made by ☐ Mother ☐ Father after consulting other parent.

**H. RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ARRANGEMENTS: (Choose ONE)**

- ☐ Each parent may take the minor children to a church or place of worship of his or her choice during the time that the minor children is/are in his or her care.
- ☐ Both parents agree that the minor children may be instructed in the \_\_\_\_\_ faith.
- ☐ Both parents agree that religious arrangements are not applicable to this plan.

**I. ADDITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS AND COMMENTS:**

- ☐ **NOTIFY OTHER PARENT OF ADDRESS CHANGE.** Each parent will inform the other parent of any change of address and/or phone number in advance **OR** within \_\_\_\_\_ days of the change.
- ☐ **NOTIFY OTHER PARENT OF EMERGENCY.** Both parents agree that each parent will promptly inform the other parent of any emergency or other important event that involves the minor children

- ☐ **TALK TO OTHER PARENT ABOUT EXTRA ACTIVITIES.** Each parent will consult and agree with the other parent regarding any extra activity that affects the minor children's access to the other parent.
- ☐ **ASK OTHER PARENT IF HE/SHE WANTS TO TAKE CARE OF CHILDREN.** Each parent agrees to consider the other parent as care-provider for the minor children before making other arrangements.
- ☐ **OBTAIN WRITTEN CONSENT BEFORE MOVING.** Neither parent will move with the minor children out of the Phoenix metropolitan area without prior written consent of the other parent, or a court ordered Parenting Plan. **A.R.S. 25-408 (B)**
- ☐ **COMMUNICATE.** Each parent agrees that all communications regarding the minor children will be between the parents and that they will **not** use the minor children to convey information or to set up parenting time changes.
- ☐ **METHOD OF COMMUNICATION.** Each parent agrees to use the following means of communication:  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ **FREQUENCY OF COMMUNICATION.** Each parent agrees to communicate regarding the child(ren) on a regular basis. That communication schedule will be:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
and will be by the following methods: ☐ Phone ☐ Email ☐ Other
- ☐ **PRAISE OTHER PARENT.** Each parent agrees to encourage love and respect between the minor children and the other parent, and neither parent shall do anything that may hurt the other parent's relationship with the minor children
- ☐ **COOPERATE AND WORK TOGETHER.** Both parents agree to exert their best efforts to work cooperatively in future plans consistent with the best interests of the minor children and to amicably resolve such disputes as may arise.
- ☐ **NOTIFY OTHER PARENT OF PROBLEMS WITH TIME-SHARING AHEAD OF TIME.** If either parent is unable to follow through with the time-sharing arrangements involving the minor child(ren), that parent will notify the other parent as soon as possible.
- ☐ **PARENTING PLAN.** Both parents agree that if either parent moves out of the area and returns later, they will use the most recent ***"Parenting Plan/Access Agreement"*** in place before the move.

- ☐ **MEDIATION.** If the parents are unable to reach a mutual agreement regarding a legal change to their parenting orders, they may request mediation through the court or a private mediator of their choice.

**NOTICE: DO NOT DEVIATE FROM PLAN UNTIL DISPUTE IS RESOLVED.**

Both parents are advised that while a dispute is being resolved, neither parent shall deviate from this Parenting Plan, or act in such a way that is inconsistent with the terms of this agreement.

Once this Plan has been made an order of the Court, if either parent disobeys the court order related to parenting time with the children, the other parent may submit court papers to request enforcement. See the Self-Service Center packets "To Make Someone Obey a Court Order" for help.

**J. PART 2 SIGNATURE OF ONE OR BOTH PARENTS** (as instructed on page 1)

Signature of Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART 3: STATEMENT REGARDING CONTACT WITH SEX OFFENDERS AND PERSONS CONVICTED OF DANGEROUS CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN.**

According to A.R.S. §25-403.05, a child's parent or custodian must immediately notify the other parent or custodian if the person knows that a convicted or registered sex offender or someone who has been convicted of a dangerous crime against children may have access to the child.

The parent or custodian must provide notice by first class mail, return receipt requested, by electronic means to an electronic mail address that the recipient provided to the parent or custodian for notification purposes or by another form of communication accepted by the court.

According to A.R.S. § 13-705 (P) (1), "Dangerous crime against children" means any of the following that is committed against a minor who is under fifteen years of age:

- (a) Second degree murder.
- (b) Aggravated assault resulting in serious physical injury or involving the discharge, use or threatening exhibition of a deadly weapon or dangerous instrument.
- (c) Sexual assault.
- (d) Molestation of a child.
- (e) Sexual conduct with a minor.
- (f) Commercial sexual exploitation of a minor.
- (g) Sexual exploitation of a minor.
- (h) Child abuse as prescribed in section 13-3623, subsection A, paragraph 1.
- (i) Kidnapping.
- (j) Sexual abuse.
- (k) Taking a child for the purpose of prostitution as prescribed in section 13-3206.
- (l) Child prostitution as prescribed in section 13-3212.
- (m) Involving or using minors in drug offenses.
- (n) Continuous sexual abuse of a child.
- (o) Attempted first degree murder.
- (p) Sex trafficking.
- (q) Manufacturing methamphetamine under circumstances that cause physical injury to a minor.
- (r) Bestiality as prescribed in section 13-1411, subsection A, paragraph 2.
- (s) Luring a minor for sexual exploitation.
- (t) Aggravated luring a minor for sexual exploitation.
- (u) Unlawful age misrepresentation.

### **PART 3 SIGNATURE OF ONE OR BOTH PARTIES** (as instructed on page 1)

**I/We have read, understand, and agree to abide by the requirements of A.R.S. § 25-403.05 concerning notification of other parent or custodian if someone convicted of dangerous crime against children may have access to the child.**

**Signature of Mother:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Father:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

### **PART 4: JOINT LEGAL DECISION MAKING (CUSTODY) AGREEMENT** (IF APPLICABLE):

**A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:** Arizona Law (A.R.S. § 25-403.03) states that joint legal decision-making authority (custody) shall NOT be awarded if there has been "a history of significant domestic violence".

- ☐ Domestic Violence has **not** occurred between the parties, **OR**
- ☐ Domestic Violence **has** occurred but it has not been "significant" or has been committed by both parties.\*



**B. DUI or DRUG CONVICTIONS:**

- ☐ Neither party has been convicted of driving under the influence or a drug offense within the past 12 months, OR
- ☐ One of the parties HAS been convicted of driving under the influence or a drug offense within the past 12 months but the parties feel Joint Legal Decision-Making (Custody) is in the best interest of the children.\*

**\* IF THERE HAS BEEN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR A DUI OR DRUG CONVICTION:  
Attach an extra page explaining why Joint Legal Decision-Making (Custody) is still in the  
best interest of the children.**

**C. JOINT LEGAL DECISION MAKING (CUSTODY) AGREEMENT:** If the parents have agreed to joint legal decision making (custody), the following will apply, subject to approval by the Judge:

1. **REVIEW:** The parents agree to review the terms of this agreement and make any necessary or desired changes every \_\_\_\_\_ month(s) from the date of this document.
2. **CRITERIA.** Our joint legal decision making (custody) agreement meets the criteria required by Arizona law A.R.S. § 25-403.02, as listed below:
  - a. The best interests of the minor children are served;
  - b. Each parent's rights and responsibilities for personal care of the minor children and for decisions in education, health care and religious training are designated in this Plan;
  - c. A practical schedule of the parenting time for the minor children, including holidays and school vacations is included in the Plan;
  - d. A procedure for the exchange(s) of the child(ren) including location and responsibility for transportation.
  - e. The Plan includes a procedure for periodic review;
  - f. The Plan includes a procedure by which proposed changes, disputes and alleged breaches may be mediated or resolved
  - g. A procedure for communicating with each other about the child, including methods and frequency.

**PART 4 SIGNATURES OF BOTH PARENTS REQUESTING JOINT LEGAL DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY (CUSTODY)** (as instructed on page 1)

Signature of Mother: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Father: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Person Filing: (1) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address (if not protected): \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
ATLAS Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lawyer's Bar Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Representing ☐ Self, without a Lawyer or ☐ Attorney for ☐ Petitioner OR ☐ Respondent

## SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA IN MARICOPA COUNTY<sup>(2)</sup>

### PARENT'S WORKSHEET FOR CHILD SUPPORT

(3) Petitioner: \_\_\_\_\_ (4) Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Respondent: \_\_\_\_\_ (4) ATLAS: \_\_\_\_\_

(5) Total Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

(6) Parent with Primary Physical Custody:

Father ☐ Mother ☐

(7) Parent who is filing this form: Father ☐ Mother ☐

(8) Gross Income figures for the OTHER PARENT are:

☐ **ACTUAL**, with proof, such as a recent W2 or pay stub attached, or other party's signed statement.

☐ **ESTIMATED**, based on facts or knowledge of pay before promotion or of others in similar job.

☐ **ATTRIBUTED**, based on what other party could and should be earning (see Guidelines 5e).

	<u>FATHER</u>	<u>MOTHER</u>
<b>Gross Income</b> (Pre-Tax Income. Before deductions.)	\$ _____ (9)	\$ _____
Spousal Maintenance Paid	\$ - (10)	\$ -
Spousal Maintenance Received	\$ + (11)	\$ +
Child Support Paid/Contributed	\$ - (12)	\$ -
Other Support of Children Paid	\$ - (13)	\$ -
<b>Adjusted Gross Income</b>	\$ _____ (14)	\$ _____
Combined Adjusted Gross Income	(15) \$ _____	
<b>Basic Child Support Obligation</b>	(16) \$ _____	
<b>Plus Costs for:</b>		
Medical/Dental/Vision Insurance	\$ _____ (17)	\$ _____
Childcare	\$ _____ (18)	\$ _____
Education Expenses	\$ _____ (19)	\$ _____
Extraordinary/Special Needs Child Expenses	\$ _____ (20)	\$ _____
No. of Children Age 12 or Over _____ Adjustment _____ %	(21) \$ _____	
Total Adjustments for Costs	(22) \$ _____	
Total Child Support Obligation	\$ _____ (23)	\$ _____

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

	FATHER		MOTHER
Each Parent's % of Combined Income	_____ %	(24)	_____ %
Each Parent's Share of Tot. Support Obligation	\$ _____	(25)	\$ _____
<b>Adjustment for Non Custodial Parent's Costs Associated with Parenting Time</b>			
Using Table A <input type="checkbox"/> Table B <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ _____	(26)	\$ _____
No. of Days _____ = _____% Adjustment (from table)			
x Line (16) \$ _____ (Basic Child Support Obligation)	\$ _____	(27)	\$ _____
<b>Less Noncustodial Parent's Costs for:</b>			
Medical/Dental/Vision Insurance*	\$ _____	(28)	\$ _____
Childcare*	\$ _____	(29)	\$ _____
Education Expenses*	\$ _____	(30)	\$ _____
Extraordinary/Special Needs Child Expenses*	\$ _____	(31)	\$ _____

\*Subtract here ONLY if ADDED-IN items 17-20 above

Adjustments Subtotal	\$ _____	(32)	\$ _____
Preliminary Child Support Amount	\$ _____	(33)	\$ _____

**Self Support Reserve Test for Parent Who Will Pay**

Amount from Line (14) _____ (Adj. Gross Inc.)			
Minus Reserve Amount <b>- \$903.00</b>			
Total	=	\$ _____	(34) \$ _____

Child Support to be Paid by: Father <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/>	\$ <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 20px;"> </span>	(35)	\$ <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 20px;"> </span>
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Share of Travel Expenses Related to Parenting Time*	_____ %	(36)	_____ %
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\*Only for expenses related to travel over 100 miles, one way.

Share of Medical/Dental/Vision Costs Not Paid by Insurance	_____ %	(37)	_____ %
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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent